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For: METHOD OF PROVIDING POLYPEPTIDE PREPARATIONS WITH
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**REQUEST FOR A THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME;
NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER
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Sir:

REQUEST FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF TIME TO THREE MONTHS

Applicant respectfully request a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Final Office Action mailed on December 19, 2002, in the above-captioned application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the time for response be extended up to and including June 19, 2003. A check is enclosed for \$930.00. In the event of any variance between the amount authorized and the fees determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, please charge or credit any such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicant hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the Examiner rejecting claims 1-6, 9-18, 29-31, 35, 36, and 39 in the above-captioned application.

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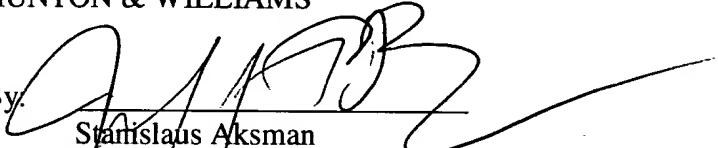
CONCLUSION

Applicant asserts that the application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims is respectfully requested. Should any outstanding issues remain, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 202-955-1926.

Respectfully submitted,

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